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1. VAN LENNEP LEFT FOR NEW YORK BEFORE WE WERE ABLE TO GET A DEBRIEFING FROM HIM ON HIS MANILA TALKS WITH FINMIN BOTERO RE COLOMBIAN APPLICATION FOR OECD MEMBERSHIP. SECGEN HAS NOW CALLED HEADS OF DEL MEETING FOR OCT. 26.

2. ACCORDING TO DEPUTY SECGEN WOOTTON, VAN LENNEP DID HAVE LENGTHY TALK WITH BOTERO IN MANILA. VAN LENNEP MADE CLEAR THAT NEITHER MEMBERSHIP NOR OBSERVER STATUS WAS POSSIBLE. HOWEVER, HE MENTIONED THAT OECD WOULD BE EXAMINING QUESTION OF RELATIONS WITH NON-MEMBERS AND LEFT OPEN POSSIBILITY OF SOME FORM OF COLOMBIA-OECD RELATIONSHIP IN FUTURE. FROM WHAT WOOTTON UNDERSTANDS, BOTERO'S VIEWS OF WHAT SUCH A RELATIONSHIP MIGHT CONSIST OF WERE RATHER EXPANSIVE, INCLUDING IDEA THAT COLOMBIA MIGHT REGULARLY SEND SPECIAL MSSIONS FOR

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OECD CONSULTATIONS AND THAT OECD MIGHT CONDUCT REVIEWS

OF COLOMBIAN DEVELOPMENT PLAN.

3. WE WILL REPORT FURTHER DETAILS FOLLOWING OCTOBER 26
HEADS OF DEL MEETING.
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